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HOUSE JOINT RESOLUTION 532  
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A RESOLUTION To honor and congratulate Coach Donna Cobb  
and the Giles County High School Lady Bobcats  
on winning the 2001 TSSAA Class AA State  
Girls' Softball Championship.

WHEREAS, The members of this General Assembly are always pleased to recognize  
the awesome accomplishments of this state's outstanding high school athletic teams; and

WHEREAS, The fearsome Lady Bobcats of Giles County High School have concluded  
an excellent 39-10 season by capturing the 2001 TSSAA Class AA State Girls' Softball  
Championship, their first State title since 1981; and

WHEREAS, After opening the State tournament with a victory over Kingston (5-0), the  
Lady Bobcats lost a closely matched tilt with Lexington (2-0); and

WHEREAS, Down, but most definitely not out, the Lady Bobcats clawed their way out of  
the loser's bracket to win the State Championship; and

WHEREAS, They first beat Covington (3-2) and then roared past Knoxville Gibbs (3-0);  
in besting Knoxville Gibbs, the Lady Bobcats eliminated the defending state champions and the  
squad that emerged victorious against Giles County in the 1999 State Tournament Finals; and

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WHEREAS, The Lady Bobcats then ripped David Lipscomb (2-0) before avenging their earlier tournament loss by defeating Lexington in back-to-back games (3-1 and 4-2) to claim the prestigious title of State Champions; and

WHEREAS, On the long and winding road to the State Championship, The Lady Bobcats uniformly vanquished their opposition as they won the District 11AA regular season title and the District 11AA, Region 6AA and Class AA Substate tournament championships; and

WHEREAS, Donna Cobb, who won her first state title as the Lady Bobcats' Head Coach, has done an exemplary job of molding the stupendous individual talent on her squad into a well-oiled, fluid machine totally immersed in the team concept; and

WHEREAS, Assistant Coaches Richie Brewer and Cathie White have also provided valuable leadership and instruction to the Lady Bobcats; and

WHEREAS, Each of the Lady Bobcats, sixteen strong, share equally in the glory and the prestige that are the bounty of State Champions; these worthy young ladies are: Candice Ann Crabtree, Michelle Leigh Englett, Kamilla Rae Pigg, Danielle Donna Reinhart, Erica Lea Shelton, Kandace Rena Watson, Mary Heather White, Jennifer George-Hamby, Nickie Petty, Leigh Ann Beecham, Carden Cobb, Jessica Russell, Stephanie Bue, Altovise Ewing, Kendylle Cobb, and Meredith Randolph; and

WHEREAS, The Giles County High School Lady Bobcats have distinguished themselves as some of the best and brightest student-athletes in the Volunteer State, and they should be commended for claiming this most esteemed honor for their school, their fellow students and their community; now, therefore,

BE IT RESOLVED BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE ONE HUNDRED SECOND GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF TENNESSEE, THE SENATE CONCURRING, That we hereby honor and congratulate Coach Donna Cobb and the Giles County High School Lady Bobcats on winning the 2001 TSSAA Class AA State Girls' Softball Championship, salute their excellence both on and off the field of play, and extend to these

remarkable young ladies our best wishes for much continued success and happiness in their future endeavors.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED, That appropriate copies of this resolution be prepared for presentation with this final clause omitted from such copy.